

COLUMBUS TRANSPORTATION AND PEDESTRIAN COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
50 WEST GAY STREET, CONFERENCE ROOM, 5TH FLOOR  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2013  
5:00 P.M

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**Present were:**

**Voting Members:** Croasmun, DuGuid, Simmons, Stitt, Wood

**Advisory Member:** Lt. Mull

**Executive Secretary:** Patti Austin

**Department of Public Service:** Rick Tilton

**Division of Mobility Options Staff:** Bowman, Mercurio, Moorhead, Tran

**Division of Planning and Operations Staff:** Popa

**Division of Design and Construction:**

**Guest Speakers :** Rian Howells, Debbie Ford, Chad Corbley, Larry Totzke, Robert  
Dennison, Chet Ridenour, Ben Goodman, Mark Fazzina, Betsy Pandora,  
Jason Sudy

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CALL TO ORDER: 5:06 p.m.

**MINUTES**

Steve Simmons asked for a motion to approve October 8, 2013 minutes.

Motion to approve – Stitt

Second - DuGuid

Motion carries

**ACTION ITEMS**

***1. Wall, Front, Frederick Residential Parking Permit Application***

Michael Tran presented a petition that was received in June 2013. The petition request is for a full time residential permit parking restriction as follows:

- Fredrick Street from Front Street to High Street (both sides)
- Front Street from Whittier Street to Fredrick Street (both sides)
- Front Street from Frederick Street to Deshler Avenue (east side)
- Wall Street from Whittier Street to Stewart Avenue (west side)
- Wall Street from Stewart Avenue to Deshler Street (east side)

The requested permit parking restriction is “No Parking, Except City Permit E.” The request was based on current parking congestion and in anticipation of evening business opening soon near Front and Frederick.

Michael provided a brief description of the requirements on petition policy. He indicated that all signatures on the petition were verified and all relevant criteria were met. The recommendation from city staff is to approve the petition as submitted for Residential Parking Permit Area E.

### **Public Comments**

In attendance at the meeting were residents Ryan Howells and Debbie Ford along with a business representative Chad Corblay.

The two residents spoke on approval of the request for permit parking indicating their various reasons. While Chad Corblay does not disapprove of the request for permit parking he is concerned about his clients finding parking during the later hours.

Steve Simmons asked for a motion to approve staff's recommendation of adding Wall, Front, and Fredrick Residential Parking to Permit Area E.

Motion to approve - Stitt

Second – Wood

Motion carries

## **2. Short North Parking Working Group Proposal**

Randy Bowman provided the commission with the proposal that the Short North Working Group is recommending for a vote by the commission for recommendation to the Director of Public Service. Randy went over the progression of the working group(s) over the last several months. Detail was given on all 16 recommendations for changes in Permit Area I and Permit Area V (as outlined below)

1. Replace metered parking with Permit Area I permit parking along both sides of Hubbard Avenue between Pearl Street and Kerr Street and along the west side of Kerr Street from Hubbard Avenue to Hull Alley
2. Annual parking permit stickers will be \$25 each for residents and business employees within Permit Area I, and residents and employees of businesses between Pearl, High, Hubbard and Russell
3. Limit annual parking permit stickers to two (2) per household for residents within Permit Area I and Permit Area V, and residents between Pearl, High, Hubbard and Russell, with an appeals process for residents to request limited exceptions for additional parking permit stickers per household

4. Limit visitor hangtags to one (1) per household for residents within Permit Area I and Permit Area V, and residents between Pearl, High, Hubbard and Russell, with an appeals process for residents to request limited exceptions for additional parking permit stickers per household
5. Continue existing procedures and policy for one-day visitor passes (first five free per year, \$1 each thereafter, with a limit of 100 per year per residential unit) for residents within Permit Area I and Permit Area V, and residents between Pearl, High, Hubbard and Russell
6. All eligible renewing and new residents will be required in person to provide proof of identity and proof of residency for the 2014-2015 permit cycle
7. Remove the residential address of 641 North High Street from eligibility for Permit Area I permits
8. Remove the business address of 641 North High Street from eligibility for Permit Area I permits
9. Allow up to 36 annual hangtags for employees of businesses between High, Pearl, Russell and Hubbard, and dispersed to specific streets according to Table 1 and Figure 1 included herein
10. Limit employee hangtags to two (2) per eligible business
11. Employee hangtags will be issued only to an owner or general manager of eligible businesses
12. Apply and collect a \$75 annual permit surcharge for each of the 36 Permit Area I employee hangtags for businesses between High, Pearl, Russell and Hubbard, and apply that to costs to be borne by the Short North Special Improvement District for additional public parking-related communications and related services
13. Require permit stickers to be affixed to the exterior of a vehicle
14. The City to pursue online sales of permits
15. Eligible business owners/general managers will be required to provide annually and in person, proof of identity, business location, and relationship to company and evidence of contractual rights to off-street parking
16. Conduct a review of the performance of these recommendations with the working group at six months following implementation and evaluate potential modifications based on the review

Many members of the working group did give testimony of their support for changes in the proposal and appreciation of representatives the businesses, residents and city staff for all the hard work and dedication to this matter.

Steve Simmons asked for a motion to recommend approval to the Director of Public Service and City Council of the Short North Parking Working Group Proposal.

Motion to Approve – Stitt

Second – Croasmun

Motion Carries

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Bicycle Subcommittee Update**

Daniel Moorhead provided an update as follows on issues discussed at the November 6, 2013 Bicycle Subcommittee meeting.

***Recent Bikeway Construction*** – Highlights were given on the enhancements to the West Broad Street bike lanes.

***Upcoming Bikeway Construction*** – Indicated that some additional bicycle parking will be added.

***2014 Resurfacing – Bikeways Preview*** – The subcommittee was given a preview of projects that the city is striving to implement with this resurfacing in 2014. It appears that the city will be getting three additional bike boulevards which would include: Binns Boulevard, Linworth Road East and Hiawatha Street.

***Shared-Use Path Curb Ramps*** – discussed an issue that had come up with our construction project plans regarding shared use path curb ramps. Needed feedback from the committee as to whether those ramps should be perpendicular to the curb or parallel to the direction of travel of bicyclist.

***Bicycle Parking Security*** – Previewed bicycle parking security which will be discussed in more detail at next meeting.

## **Informational Items**

### ***1. Updated on Car2go***

Randy Bowman gave an update on Car2go which launched at the October 26, 2013. The initial Car2go launch was 60 vehicles and at their own discretion can increase that to 250 vehicles. Once numbers are received the commission will be given an update.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Informational Items**

#### **1. *Hague Avenue Preliminary Engineering Study***

Nick Popa provided alternatives to the preliminary engineering study for Hague Avenue between West Broad Street and Sullivant Avenue. The project is planned to go to design early 2014 and construction could begin as early as 2015.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **Preview of December Meeting**

It was respectfully asked that the December T&PC meeting, which would normally occur on December 10, 2013, be moved to December 3, 2013 due to issues that the city would like to get legislated by the end of the year. All commission and city staff agreed. December meeting will be held December 3, 2013.

Steve Simmons asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion to Approve – Croasmun

Second – DuGuid

Motion Carries

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:06 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Kim O'Hara  
Recording Secretary

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Steve Simmons  
Chairperson

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Patricia A. Austin  
Executive Secretary

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